

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 4, 2011**

ATTENDANCE: Susan Brannelly, Chair; Denese Taylor Moye, Manuel Ayala, Anderson Ayala; M. Yvette Brantley (6:22 p.m.); Richard Bonney (6:30 p.m.)

OTHERS: Atty. David Quatrella, Quatrella & Rizio, LLC; Herman Santos, Winstead Moncrieffe, Angel Estrella, Manuel Pelaez, Sergio Posada, Keyla Medina, Irineu Portella, Sonia Moncrieffe; Tom White, City of Bridgeport

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Brannelly called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES SEPTEMBER 7, 2011

**** COUNCIL MEMBER ANDERSON AYALA MOVED TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2011 AS SUBMITTED.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR-MOYE SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

127-10 Application for Driveway Permit #2101 Commerce Drive (State Street Extension)

Atty. Quatrella came forward and introduced the engineer for the project. Atty. Quatrella said that the applicant company, SSG Development Construction, has a number of facilities including one in Norwalk. The request is for a six story self storage facility with a sit down restaurant on the ground level. The applicant has requested a variance for a reduction in the number of parking spaces which has already been approve by the ZBA.

Mr. Urquidi, the City of Bridgeport Engineering Supervisor, has recommended that the driveway be moved to another location on the property. This is because the current driveway is located in a flood plain. In order to get the first floor above the 15 foot flood plain, the driveway was moved 65 feet to the furthestmost westerly point of the property. The driveway will be slightly wider than normal to allow the turning radius of the trucks, including the fire trucks. The larger driveway has been requested by the Fire Marshal. Atty. Quatrella said that all the City approvals have been obtained with the exception of the City Council and the State. The State approval is not contingent upon the driveway location, but due to the fact that the property abuts Interstate 95. There were some concerns that the Fire Marshal's Office had not actually approved the design at the time of the presentation to the Committee.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER ANDERSON AYALA MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 127-10 APPLICATION FOR DRIVEWAY PERMIT #2101 COMMERCE DRIVE (STATE STREET EXTENSION) CONTINGENT UPON THE WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE FIRE MARSHAL.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR MOYE SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Council Member Brannelly requested this be placed on consent.

Council Member Yvette Brantley joined the meeting at 6:22 p.m.

128-10 Request for a streetlight on utility pole (unnumbered) in from of 128 Milne Street.

Council Member Taylor Moya said that there are a number of residents present who are very concerned about the dark area at 128 Milne Street. There have been a number of problems in that area. Council Member Brannelly said that there was a letter from UI saying that a light could be installed at the location. There was also a letter from the Engineering Department, and from John Cattel of Public Facilities, about the funding.

Mr. Tom White then came forward and distributed packets containing the information on the process.

Council Member Richard Bonney joined the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. White reviewed Chapter 12.60 Streetlight Installations, which has a number of criteria for determining whether a light is necessary. Mr. White reiterated that there were copies of the letter from the petitioner in the Committee members' packets, along with letters from United Illuminating, the utility manager, the Engineering Department and the Tree Warden. The utility manager has stated that there are funds available for this project. Mr. Irineu Portella, one of the area residents, briefly addressed the Committee regarding the concerns of the residents for their safety. Discussion about the details of the criteria followed.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER ANDERSON AYALA MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 128-10 REQUEST FOR A STREETLIGHT ON UTILITY POLE (UNNUMBERED) IN FROM OF 128 MILNE STREET BECAUSE THE LOCATION HAS MET THREE OF THE FOUR CRITERIA AND IT IS A HIGH RISK AREA WITH SAFETY CONCERNS.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR MOYE SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Council Member Brannelly requested this be placed on consent.

ADJOURNMENT

**** COUNCIL MEMBER ANDERSON AYALA MOVED TO ADJOURN.**
**** COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR MOYE SECONDED.**
**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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